

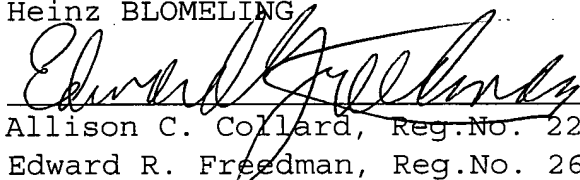
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REMARKS

By this Preliminary Amendment, the application has been amended to conform with U.S. practice, the cross-reference to related applications has been inserted on page 1. The description of FIGS. 7 to 12 has been deleted. Deleted FIGS. 7 to 12 are indicated on the Annotated Marked-Up Drawing Sheets attached hereto. FIGS. 1 to 6 appear on the Replacement Sheets attached hereto. Claims 1 to 20 have been cancelled and new claims 21 to 39 have been added. No new matter has been introduced. Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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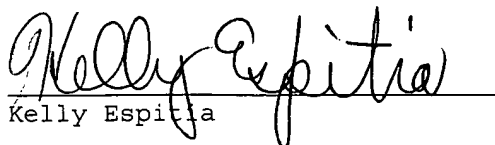


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FIG. 7

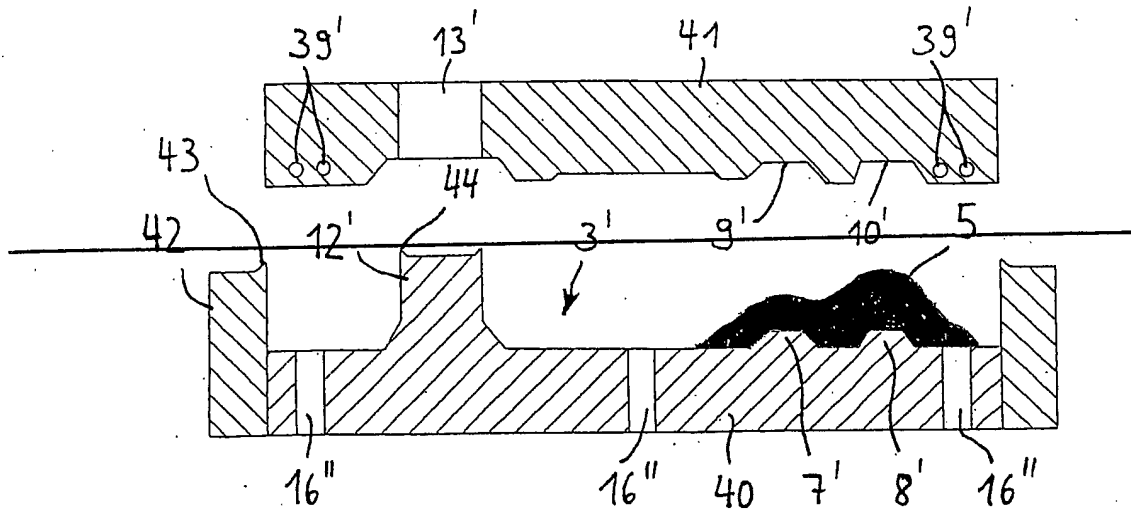


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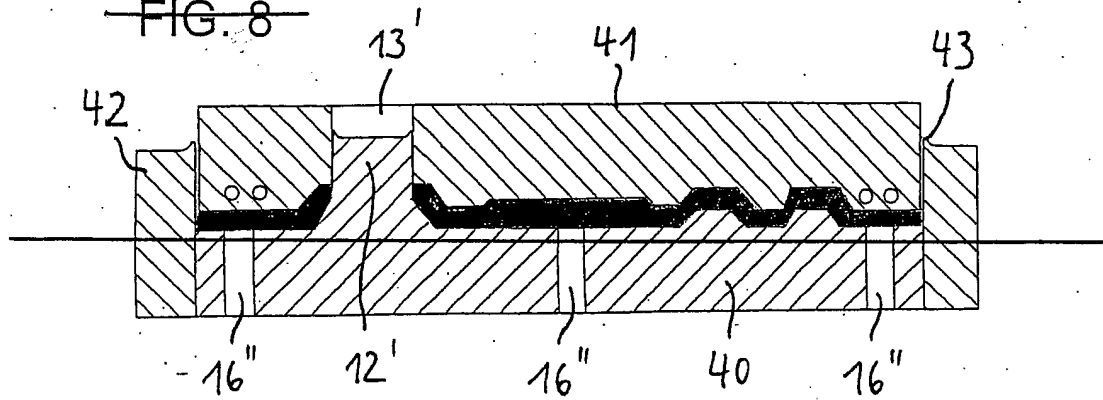
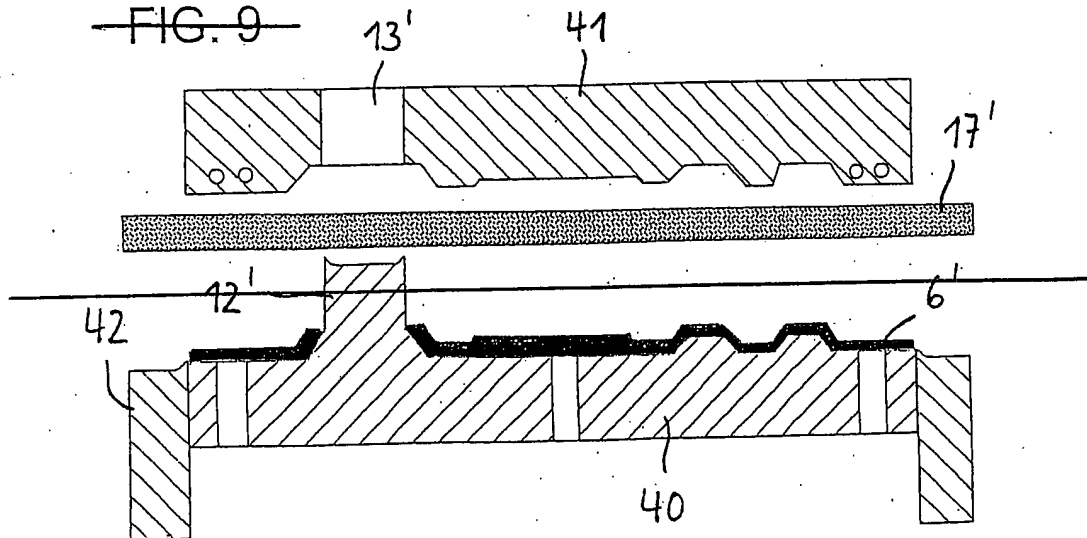


FIG. 9



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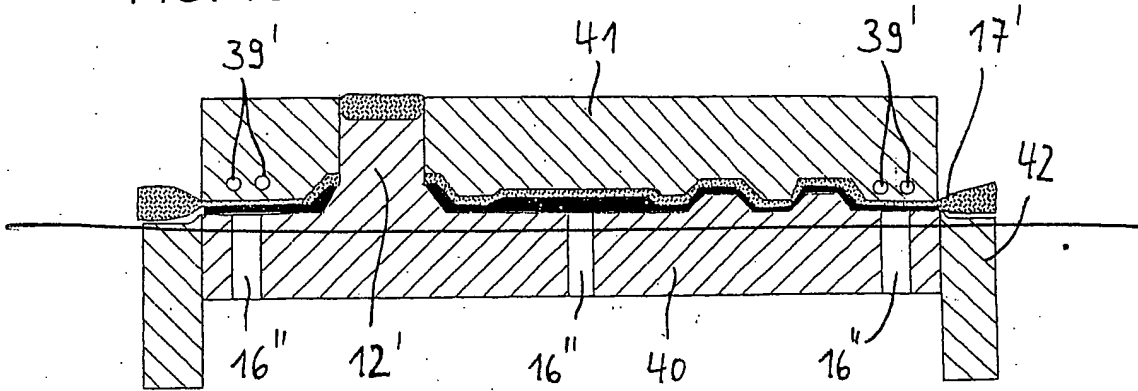


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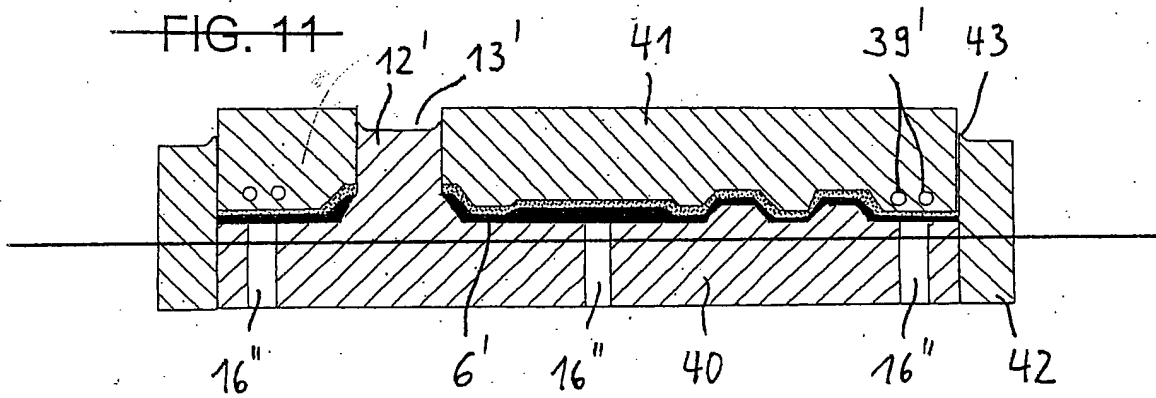
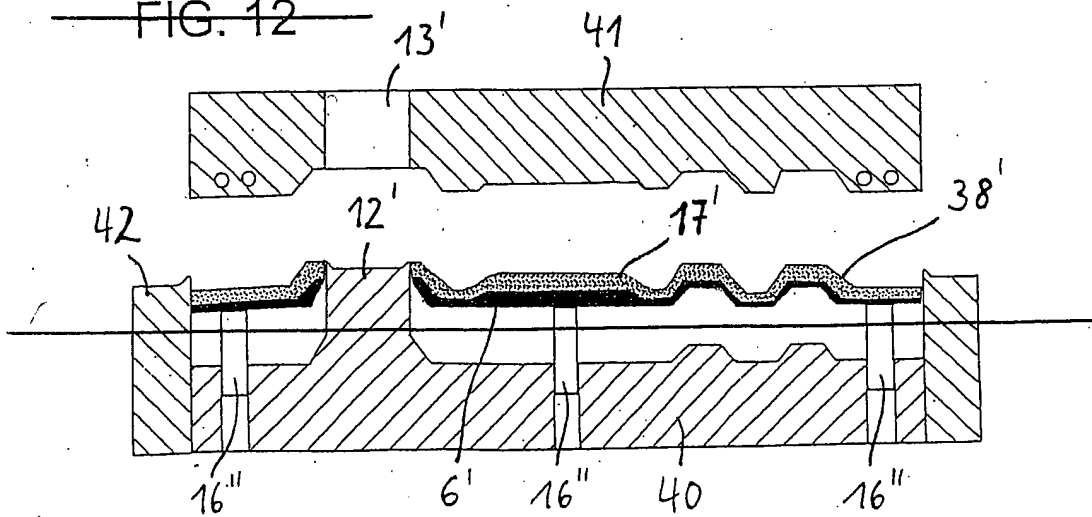


FIG. 12



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